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REMARKS

This amendment is responsive to the office action mailed 05/05/04. Claims 1 – 19 are pending. In the referenced office action claims 1 – 4, 10, 13 and 14 were rejected while claims 5 – 9, 11 and 12 were objected to and claims 15 – 19 were allowed. With the present amendment to claim 1 it is submitted that all of the previously rejected claims are distinguished over the art of record and all of the claims are now in condition for allowance.

This amendment is also responsive to objections to the specification raised by the examiner. Amendment is submitted to make corrections at page 3 of the specification, as requested by the examiner.

Respectfully,

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